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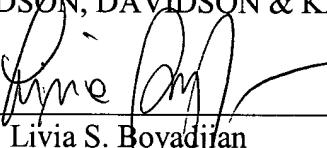
In accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97, Applicants hereby make of record the document listed on the accompanying PTO-1449 Form for consideration by the Examiner in connection with the examination of the above-identified patent application. A copy of the cited reference together with a translation of the abstract of Japanese Patent Kokai No. 54-15994 as provided by Applicants is attached.

This Information Disclosure Statement is filed under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b) before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits. Accordingly, it is believed that no fee is due. However, if it is determined that any fee is due, the Examiner is authorized to charge said fee to Attorney Deposit Account No. 50-0552.

It is respectfully requested that the reference cited in the accompanying PTO-1449 form be considered and made of record. It is respectfully submitted that the pending claims are patentable over all of the references made of record at this time.

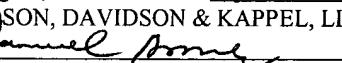
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